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SUBJECT: 30TH UNGA--ITEM 12: UPPER VOLTA DRAFT RES ON
DESERTIFICATION CONFERENCE

REF: USUN 5721

UPPER VOLTA D4AFT RES ON DESERTIFICATION CONFERENCE HAS
BEEN OFFICIALY CIRCULATED AS A/C.2/L.1455 (TRANSMITTED BELOW).
MAJOR CHANGES IN TEXT AS ORIGINALLY TRANSMITTED REFTEL AS
FOLLOWS:

- A. NEW OPERASIVE PARAGRAPH 3 REQUESTING CSTD TO INCLUDE
IN ITS PROGRA. WORK PROPOSALS DEALING WITH DESERTIFICATION;
- B. OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 4 NOW DOES NOT INCLUDE REFERENCE TO
L. 1434;
- C. OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 2 NOW DELETES REFERENCE TO GOVERNING
COUNCIL;
- D. NEW OPERASIVE PARAGRAPH 7 CALLS ON UNEP TO ACT AS
PREPARATORY B9DY FOR THE CONFERENCE.

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QUOTE

REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL
ALGERIA, ARGENTINA, BRAZIL, DEMOCRATIC YEMEN, INDIA, IRAN,
JORDAN, KUWAIT, LIBYAN ARAB REPUBLIC, MADAGASCAR, MALI, MEXICO,
NIGER, PAKISTAN, PERU, SUDAN, TUNISIA, UPPER VOLTA AND YUGOSLAVIA: DRAFT RESOLUTION

UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON DESERTIFICATION

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,
RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 3337 (XXIX) OF 17 DECEMBER 1974
IN WHICH IT DECIDED TO INITIATE CONCERTED INTERNATIONAL
ACTION TO COMBAT DESERTIFICATION,
HAVING CONSIDERED THE PROGRESS REPORT OF THE
SECRETARY-GENERAL (E/5689) AND THE RELEVANT PORTIONS OF
THE REPORT OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS
ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME AT ITS THIRD SESSION (A/10025) ON
THE IMPLEMENTATION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 3337 (XXIX) OF
17 DECEMBER 1974 ON INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION TO COMBAT
DESERTIFICATION,
NOTING DECISION 30 (III) OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE
UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME OF 30 APRIL
1975 IN WHICH THE GOVERNING COUNCIL APPROVED THE PROPOSALS
OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT
PROGRAMME ON MEASURES TO BE TAKEN IN IMPLEMENTATION OF GENERAL
ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 337 (XXIX),
NOTING ALSO ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION 1958
(LIX) OF 25 JULY 1975,
STRESSING THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL RESEARCH TO CLARIFY A
NUMBER OF FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEMS OF DESERTIFICATION FOR THE
SOLUTION OF WHICH THE REQUISITE SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE IS NOT
YET AVAILABLE TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY,
STRESSING FURTHER THAT THE PREPARATION OF THE CONFERENCE
SHOULD PROVIDE THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY WITH THE BASIS FOR
AN ACTION-ORIENTED, COMPREHENSIVE AND CO-ORDINATED PLAN OF
ACTION, WHICH SHOULD INCLUDE THE BUILDING UP OF INDIGENOUS AND
AUTONOMOUS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CAPACITY IN THE AREAS CONCERNED,
1. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE
COMPETENT BODIES OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONCERNED, PARTICULARLY
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THE UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME, TO INTENSIFY THE EFFORTS
REQUIRED TO ENSURE THE APPROPRIATE PREPARATION, AT THE
TECHNICAL LEVEL, OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON
DESERTIFICATION;
2. REITERATES ITS REQUEST TO THE UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT
PROGRAMME AND THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME TO
PROVIDE THE FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE NECESSARY
TO ENSURE THE SATISFACTORY PREPARATION OF THE CONFERENCE,

BEARING IN MIND PARTICULARLY THE NEED TO CLOSE THE GAPS IN
SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE AND TECHNOLOGIES IN THIS FIELD;

3. REQUESTS THE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR
DEVELOPMENT, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ON THE APPLICATION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TO DEVELOPMENT
TO INCLUDE IN ITS PROGRAMME OF WORK ON ARID AREAS, IN
PURSUANCE OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION 1898 (LVII),
PROPOSALS TO CLOSE THE GAPS IN SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE AND
TECHNOLOGIES CONCERNING DESERTIFICATION;
4. DECIDES THAT THE COST OF THE CONFERENCE WILL BE BORNE BY
THE REGULAR BUDGET OF THE UNITED NATIONS;
5. REQUESTS THE UNITED NATIONS FUND FOR POPULATION ACTIVITIES TO
CONTRIBUTE TO THE FINANCING OF THE DEMOGRAPHIC COMPONENTS OF
THE STUDIES PREPARED IN IMPLEMENTATION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY
RESOLUTION 3337 (XXIX);
6. REQUESTS THE EXECUTIVE HEADS OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES
TO AUTHORIZE THEIR RESPECTIVE SECRETARIATS TO PROVIDE
FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE SECRETARIAT
OF THE CONFERENCE AND IN THE AD HOC INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE,
IN CONFORMITY WITH GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 3337 (XXIX);
7. REQUEST FURTHER THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE UNITED
NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME TO ACT AS THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL
PREPARATORY BODY FOR THE CONFERENCE AND TO SUBMIT TO THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS THIRTY-FIRST SESSION, THROUGH THE ECONOMIC AND

SOCIAL COUNCIL, RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE ORGANIZATION OF THE
UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON DESERTIFICATION.

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